



Not even your older brother's regional airlines

Safe, Professional, Reliable... And here for the long haul.

Regional Airline Association
FAA Forecast Conference
March 10, 2010

Who we are

- Safety advocate for the industry
- Founded in 1975 as Commuter Airline Association of America
- 32 member airlines
- 280 associate members

Who we are

- Regional airlines provide the **only** scheduled air service to 492 airports about **three quarters** of the nation's airports
- Regional airlines fly **more than half** the scheduled passenger flights in the United States

What we do

- Represent regional airlines, manufacturers before the Congress, DOT, FAA and other federal agencies



RAA 35th Annual Convention

Milwaukee, Wisconsin at the Midwest Airlines Convention Center

May 24 - 27, 2010

Preliminary Schedule of Events

All events take place at the Midwest Airlines Convention Center unless otherwise indicated

Monday, May 24

7:00 am - 4:00 pm
Races leave hotels at 7am; shotgun start at 8:15 am; tournament reception 2pm-4pm

Challenging layout, with 60 sand-filled bunkers, tree-lined fairways and water winding throughout the course, even professionals navigate this stately course - the home of the PGA Tour's Greater Milwaukee Open from Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer to Tiger Woods, a rookie playing his first event as a professional, the greatest players in the game of golf have made Brown Deer Golf Course their home for one week.



Brown Deer Golf Course

Golf trophy sponsored by Flight Safety International
Combined lunch and golf sponsored by JetBlue

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Exhibit Hall Move-In

noon - 6:00 pm

Registration Open

Budget sponsored by NAAASCO

1:00 am - 5:00 pm

Flight Deck Automation Work Group

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

RAA Regional Operations Council (ROC)

4:00 pm - 5:45 pm

RAA Public Relations Meeting

Semi-Annual RAA Public Relations Committee

(Open to all Active & Associate Members)

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Operations and Maintenance Forum Reception

Sponsored by GE

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Chairman's Welcome Reception (Invited guests only)

6:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Media Dinner (Invited media guests only)

Sponsored by Embraer

Tuesday, May 25

7:00 am - 8:00 am
Exhibitor Breakfast with Airline CEOs (for 2010 Exhibitors and laptop only at the ribbon)

7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Media Center Open

Sponsored by GE

8:00 am - 6:00 pm

Registration Open

Budget sponsored by NAAASCO

8:00 am - noon

RAA Board/President's Council Meeting (video)

8:00 am - noon

Exhibit Hall Move-In

8:00 am - 11:00 am

RAA Associate Member Breakfast & Meeting

8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Flight Deck Automation Work Group

8:30 am - noon

RAA Maintenance Forum

8:30 am - noon

RAA Strategic Safety Initiative Safety Task Force

noon - 1:30 pm

President's Council Luncheon (video)

Sponsored by AAR

noon - 1:30 pm

Joint ROC and Operations and Maintenance Forum Lunch

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Operations Forum

7:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Environmental Committee Meeting

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Private Exhibit Hall Walk-thru with Airline CEOs

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

RAA President and Chairman Briefing with Media followed by Exhibit Hall Ribbon-Cutting Official Opening

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Exhibit Hall Open

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

RAA "Happy Hour" in Exhibit Hall

Wednesday, May 26

7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Media Center Open

Sponsored by GE

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall

Sponsored by Embraer

8:30 am - 10:00 am

General Session in Exhibit Hall

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Exhibit Hall Open

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Registration Open

Budget sponsored by NAAASCO

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

AIR Security Group Meeting

8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Flight Deck Automation Work Group

8:30 am - 11:30 am

Flight Training Forum

9:00 am - noon

Joint AIA/RAA Safety Council Meeting

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Dangerous Goods Working Group Meeting

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Buffet lunch in Exhibit Hall

Sponsored by North & Wilfong Condo

1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Flight Training Committee

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Joint AIA/RAA Security Directors' Meeting

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

RAA "Happy Hour" in Exhibit Hall

Sponsored by Milwaukee

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

RAA Evening Event

A Night at the Ballpark

Rises leave hotels at 5:30 pm for 7:10 pm Milwaukee Brewers vs Houston Astros game at Miller Park. Exclusive Club Level seating for all. Enjoy watching the game, socializing and feasting on special ballpark food and drink.

Sponsored by Bombardier and Rockwell Collins



Milwaukee Park

Please check the RAA website for updates and additional details on convention events. www.raa.org

Keynote Speaker



Deborah Hersman

National Transportation Safety Board Chair Deborah Hersman is this year's keynote speaker on Wednesday morning. The 12th NTSB Chair, her two-year term runs until July 2011. She is also serving a second 5-year term as a Board Member, which expires on December 31, 2013.

A Member of the NTSB since June 21, 2004, Hersman has chaired a number of public events hosted by the Board, including CO Flight 3407. She holds a commercial drivers license with passenger, school bus, and air brake endorsements. She successfully completed a motorcycle basic rider course and holds a motorcycle endorsement. She is a certified Child Passenger Safety Technician. She has also completed the 40-hour HAZWOPER (Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response Standard) training course.

Before joining the Board, Hersman was a Senior Professional Staff Member of the US Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation from 1999 to 2004 where she was responsible for a number of transportation issues, and earlier served as Staff Director and Senior Legislative Aide to Congressman Bob Wise of West Virginia.

During her time at the Senate, she was a key staff member involved in the passage of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999, which created a new truck and bus safety administration within the Department of Transportation. She also worked extensively to negotiate the passage of the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002, the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century, the Amtrak Reform and Accountability Act and numerous transportation safety and security measures.

She earned Bachelor of Arts degrees in Political Science and International Studies from Virginia Tech University in Blacksburg, Virginia, and a Master of Science degree in Conflict Analysis and Resolution from George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia. She is married and is the mother of three sons.

Thursday, May 27

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Continental Breakfast with Champagne in Exhibit Hall

9:00 am - 11:00 am

Exhibit Hall Open

8:00 am - 10:00 am

Registration Open

Budget sponsored by NAAASCO

8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Flight Deck Automation Work Group

8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Ramp Safety/Human Factors Meeting

8:30 am - 11:30 am

Inflight Forum

8:30 am - 11:30 am

Dispatch Management Forum

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Purchasing Forum

Offers exhibitors the chance to meet face-to-face with airline purchasing officers.



RAA Purchasing Forum

12:30 am - 4:30 pm

Inflight Committee

12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Dispatch Management Meeting

8:30 am - noon

Flight Deck Automation Work Group

Hotel Information

Both RAA host hotels have skywalks to the Midwest Airlines Convention Center. All the convention events will be held in the convention center. RAA has room blocks at the following Milwaukee hotels:

Hyatt Regency Milwaukee

333 W. Wisconsin Avenue

Milwaukee, WI 53203

(414) 276-1234

Room rate: \$172/night

Hilton Milwaukee City Center

509 West Wisconsin Avenue

Milwaukee, WI 53203

(414) 271-7250

Room rate: \$175/night

You can use this link to make reservations at the Hyatt:

www.hilton.com/en/hilgroups/personalized/MKEMHAF-RAA-20100522/index.html

When making your reservation, please request the RAA Room block. The last day to book rooms is April 23, 2010 at both properties.

Hotel blocks sponsored by

LodgeX Airline Solutions

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**“Just what is a
regional airline?”**

U.S. Sen. Mike Johanns (R-Neb.), June 17, 2009

What is a regional airline?

- **Cape Air?**
 - 42 9-seat pistons a/c
 - JFK/BOS alliances, EAS
- **Great Lakes?**
 - 35 19-seat, 6 30-seat tps
 - EAS, pro-rate, UA/FL
- **PSA?**
 - 49 50/70-seat jets
 - US Airways owned
- **Air Wisconsin?**
 - 70 50-seat jets,
 - independent, US Airways
- **American Eagle?**
 - 222 30/70-seat jets
 - wholly AMR owned
- **Skywest?**
 - 280 a/c, jets&tps, UA/DL
 - + ASA = world's 8th biggest airline
- **Republic Holdings?**
 - 6 airlines, own & 7 codes
 - 280 jets, 50-150 seats
- **Empire?**
- **Jazz?**

Our partners



Priorities

Safe. Professional. Reliable.

Safe

- One level of safety for the entire airline industry
- Same government regulations, same level of oversight
- Every regional airline exceeds federal safety standards

Safe

- FAA and industry-approved safety programs:
 - Flight Operational Quality Assurance (FOQA)
 - Aviation Safety Action Program (ASAP)
 - Aviation Safety Information Analysis and Sharing (ASIAS)
 - Line Operation Safety Audit (LOSA)
 - IATA Operational Safety Audit (IOSA)
 - Advanced Qualification Program (AQP)
 - Voluntary Disclosure Reporting Program (VDRP)
 - Air Transportation Oversight System (ATOS)

Safe

RAA's Strategic Safety Initiative Recommendations

- Create a single database of pilot records
- Conduct random fatigue tests
- Examine commuting
- Extend background-check timeframe
- Audit cockpit voice recordings
- Improve tracking and analysis of check rides

Professional

The pilots who fly for regional airlines are professional aviators with the proven experience and competence to meet the highest safety standards.

Professional

- Same standards and flight/duty time regulations

- Average regional airline captain has well over 8,000 hours of flight experience

- FAA requires 250 hours

- Captains average 17 years of experience; average age is 47 (*Horizon Air*)

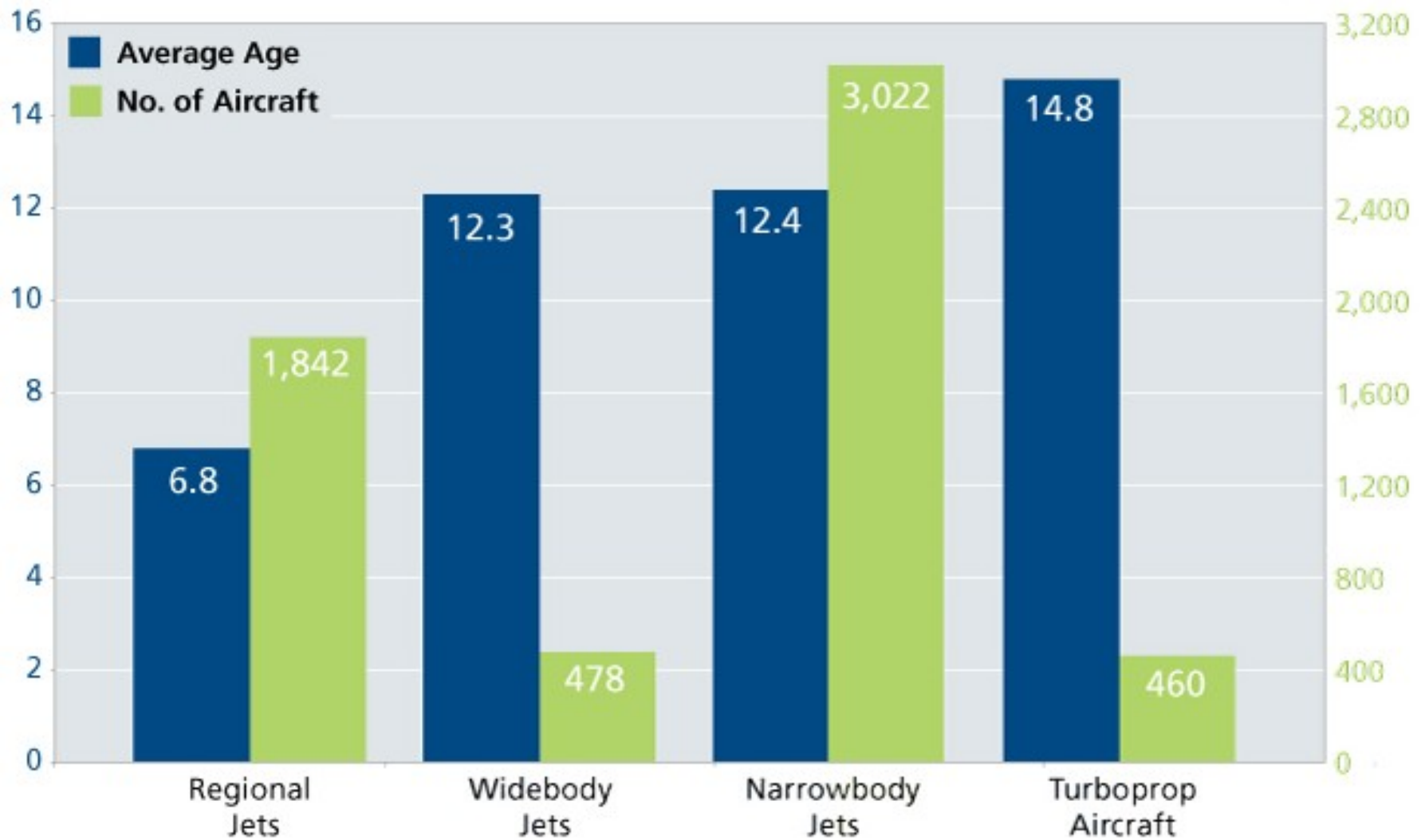
- First officers average five years of experience; average age is 32 (*Horizon Air*)

Average Age of Active US Scheduled Passenger Fleet

As of 1/6/10

Years

Aircraft



Source: OAG Fleet iNET, January 6, 2010

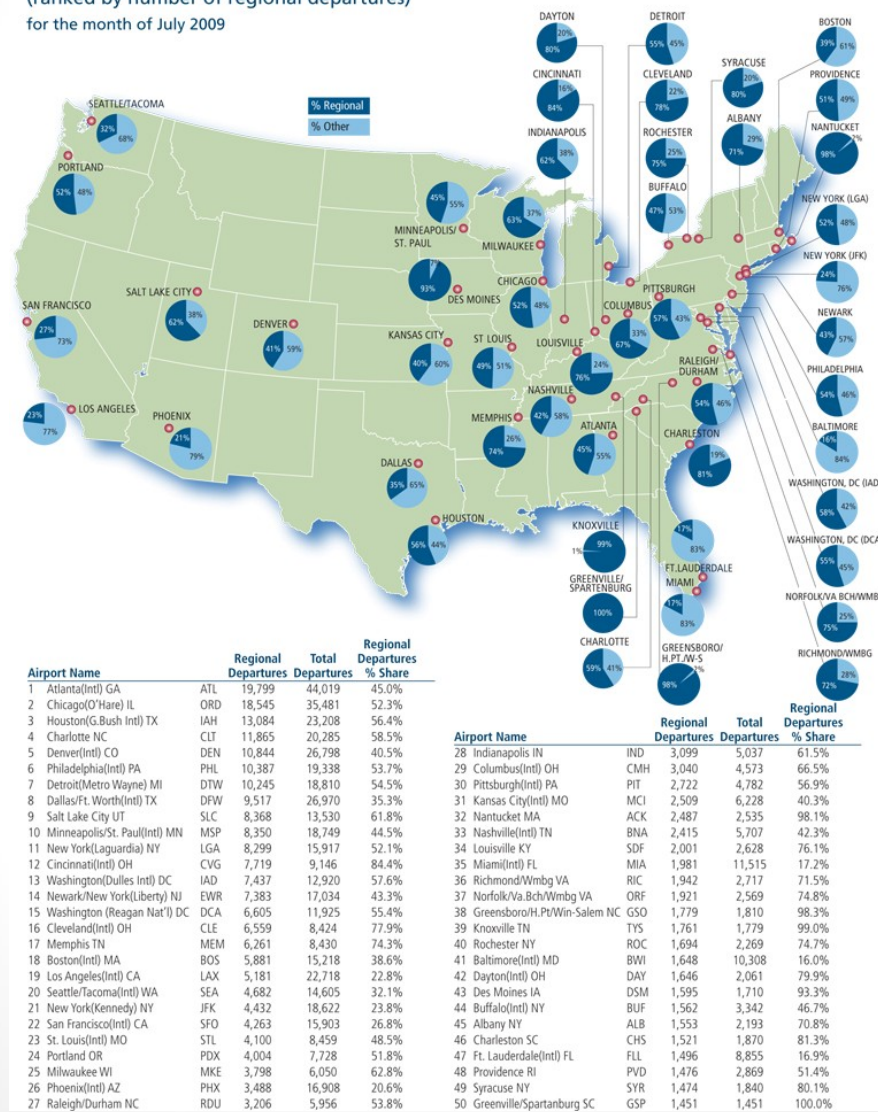
Reliable

- Regional airlines provide the only scheduled air service to 492 airports, about **three quarters of the nation's airports**
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US Airports Served Exclusively by Regional Airlines

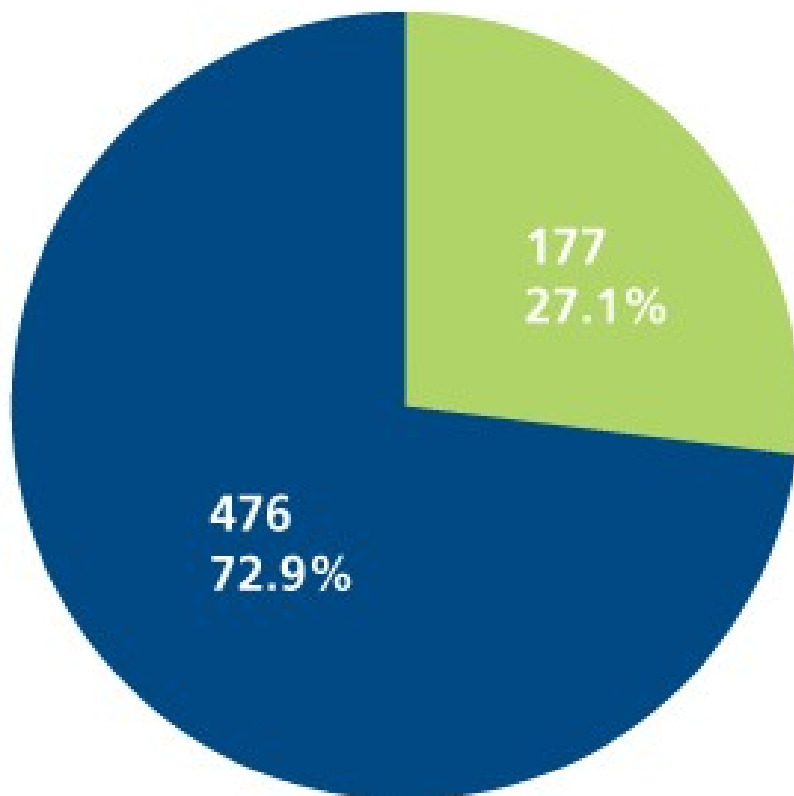


Top US Airports for Regional Flights (ranked by number of regional departures) for the month of July 2009

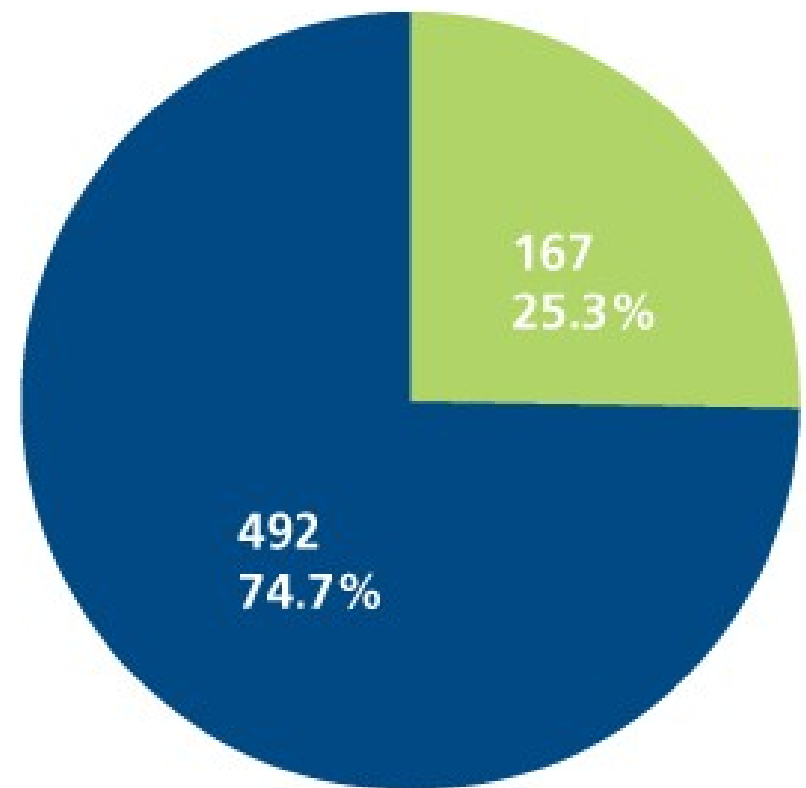


US Airports

2008



2009



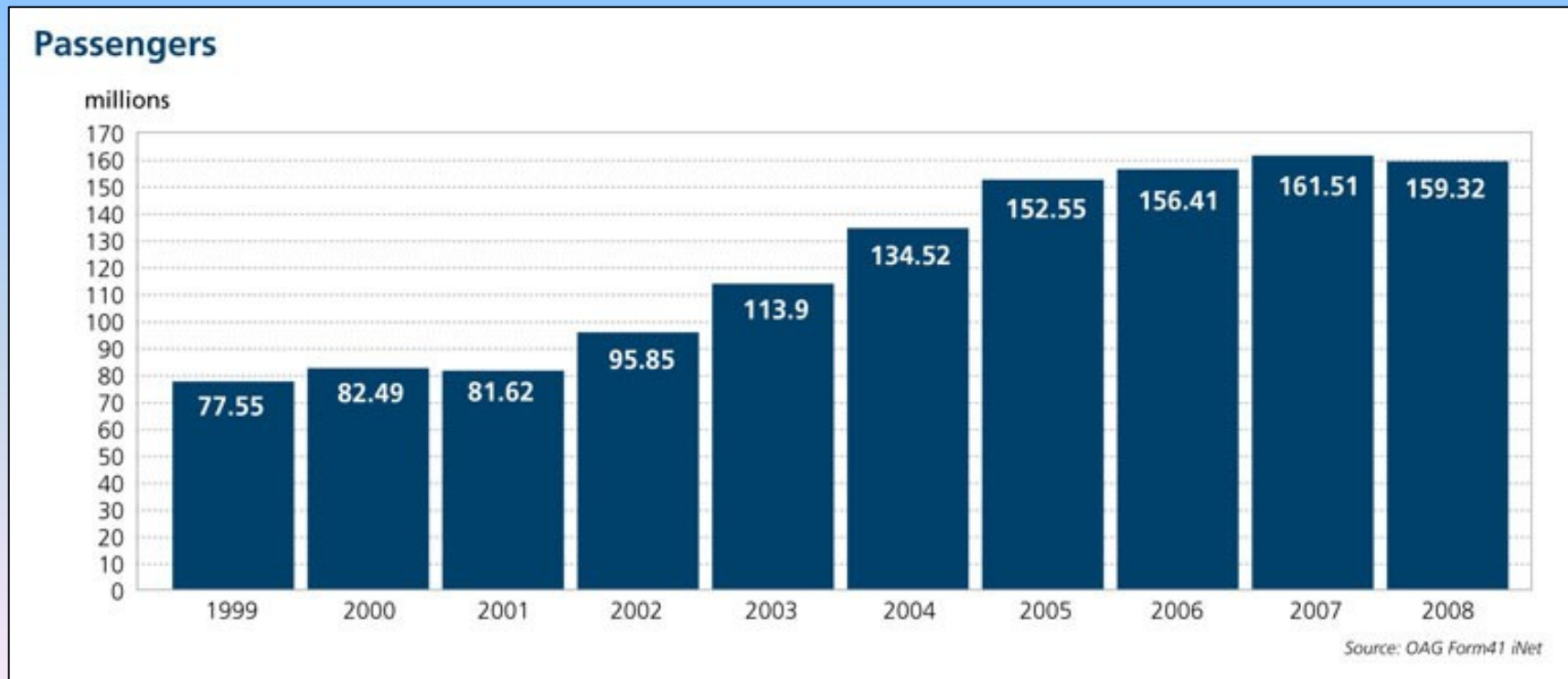
- US Airports receiving regional ONLY service
- US Airports receiving regional service

We're growing

- 659 airports with scheduled service
- 492 (75%) of them are **exclusively** served by regional carriers
- In 2000, regional carriers conducted approximately 40% of scheduled commercial flights
- Today, approximately 53% of flights are conducted by regional airlines

Reliable...and Growing

The regional airline industry is growing, with the number of passengers we carry each year increasing from 77.6 million in 1999 to 159.3 million in 2008.



Summary of US-Based RJ Schedules

(Month of January)

	2002	2006	2010	Percent Change	
				2002-2006	2006-2010
RJ Markets Served	835	1,589	1,486	90.3%	-6.5%
RJ Spoke Airports	205	268	274	30.7%	2.2%
Carrier/Hubs	38	41	41	7.9%	0.0%
AVERAGE					
Flights per Market*	38.3	38.4	20.5	0.3%	-46.6%
Aircraft Size (Seats)	50.0	52.9	56.6	5.8%	7.0%
Hub Markets per Spoke	4.1	5.9	5.4	43.9%	-8.5%
Spoke Markets per Hub	22.0	38.8	40.2	76.4%	3.6%
Stage Length (miles)	418	491	483	17.5%	-1.6%

Note: * - Figure is weekly.

Source: IAG analysis of schedules via Innovata.

Regional Airlines

Making headlines.

Recent Headlines

American Eagle Airlines to introduce first-class service on all CRJ-700 Jets

Republic Airways becomes North American CSeries launch customer with firm order for 40

American to outsource flying for 1st time

TransStates/GoJet places \$4billion order for up to 100 Mitsubishi MRJs

American Eagle to acquire 22 Bombardier CRJ700 regional jets

AirTran Airways launches innovative partnerships with SkyWest Airlines, expands schedule in Milwaukee

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